
SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

August 26, SIGHALIN, French steamer, 2086.
Marshall's 27th July, Singapore 20th Aug.
and Snigou 24th. Mails and General.—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES:
August 26, OESTEES, British str., 1239. Barr.
Alaoy 25th August, General.—**BUTTER-**
FIELD & SWIRE.

h August, Timber.

27TH, PHUZE: Danish steamer, 397; C. A. Lund, Pakhoi 24th August, and Holhow.
26th. General.—ARNHOLD, KAREBERG & Co.
27TH AMOY. German steamor, 814, Tel-
ler, 27th August. General.—
SIEBSEN & Co.
27TH BATAVIA. British steamer, 1681,
Williamson, Valenciennes and Yokohama
186, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
27TH KAIFONG. British ste. 397. Tho-
dyle, Wiampan 27th August. General.—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
27TH AUGUST.
ceer, British ste., for Amoy.
German, GORMAN ste., for Singapore.
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British ste., for Singapore.
British ste., for Swatow.

str., for: Hoihow.

DEPARTURES

August 27, **MOYUNE**, British str., for Shanghai.

August 27, **ACTIV**, Danish str., for Holhow.

August 27, **KWANG-LEE**, Chinese steamer, for Whampoa.

August 27, **DEUTEROS**, Ger. str. for Singapore.

August 27, **BOOKMAN**, Brit. str. for Shanghai.

August 27, **HATAN**, British str., for East Coast.

August 27, **EMPELOS**, Ger. str. for Sourabaya.

August 27, **PREUSSER**, Ger. str. for Europe.

August 27, **TALCHOUK**, Brit. str. for Bangkok.

August 27, **TALVAN**, British str., for Sydney.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVELY.

For **Orizaba**, ste. from Anoy.—Mrs. Hansen, 3 children.

For **Saghatan**, ste. from Naxos, 10.

For **Amorfo**, ste. from Naxos, 10.

DEPARTS.—**NEMTA**, V. Gaul and C. Lemh

5 Chinese.
from Paklei to

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Daniel Cunniff—For

REPORTS.

The American barque *Escoff*, from Rajang August, reports had light variable winds and S. easterly current throughout.

The British steamer *Blatania*, from Vancouver and Yokohama, 16th August, reports had weather throughout the voyage.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

August 13. British str. *Kent*, from Batavia to Hongkong.

14. Ned str. *Sumatra*, Fortuyn, July 5, from London for Batavia.

15. Amr. ship *Sam Skiffeld*, Hall, Mar. 26, New York for Batavia.

16. British str. *Newcastle*, Bleett, Aug. 12, Singapore for Adelaide.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

BEREADEN DOCK.—

Field, Cheang Hock

VISITORS AT HOTELS.

PENNSYLVANIA HOTEL.—Capt. Anderson, Capt. Birmingham, Messrs. Dancer, Galesworthy, J. C. Heston, Wm. H. Hoagland, J. B. Gayley, R. A. B. Alt, LeVasseur, Monger, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. C. A. Remond, Robinson, de Rollipet, S. Sanderson, J. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tenenbaum.

METROPOLITAN HOTEL.—Messrs Geo. Banker, F. M. Brown, W. H. Deanez, J. C. Church, Mr. Dixie, Capt. A. Gettely, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Messrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Peterson, Mr. J. Redford, Mr. M. Rohde and 2 children, T. Salterbooth, Capt. G. Vlasovans, Mrs. Tenenbaum, Capt. Geo. Westoby, Miss E. Westoby, Mrs. C. J. Williams, and W. B. Young.

TODAY.

Shipping, Mainbridge Furniture Co., 9 Queen's

FINGERS BOOKED


HONGKONG.
 P. & O. steamer *Carthage*, from London,
 25th. — Major W. F. Graham.
 P. & O. steamer *Victoria*, from London,
 2nd 5th. — Major W. F. Graham.
 Messageries Maritimes steamer *Jessica*,
 from Marseilles, August 10th. — Messrs. C.
 and H. E. Wadman.

FOR SALE.

H. A. S. HEID'S LECK'S
CHAMPAGNE, 1880 WHITE SEAL.
 322. per case of 1 dozen quarts.
 323. per case of 2 dozen pints.
PAUL DUBOIS & CO'S
CLARET, GRAND VIN DE LOUILLE
 324. per case of 1 dozen quarts.
 325. **CLARET, CHATEAU LAROSE**
 326. per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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PONTET CANET.

MER MARGAU
per case of 1 dose

\$3.50..... per case of 2 dozen pints.
LORMONT.
 \$5..... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
JOHN WALKER & SONS
OLD HIGHLAND WHISKY.
 \$6..... per case of 1 dozen bottles.
Also.
WUTLER PALMER & Co's
WINES AND SPIRITS.
SIEMSEN & Co.
 Hongkong, 1st January, 1884. 125

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JOSEPH GILLOTT'S
STEEL PENS.

GOLD MEDALS. PARIS, 1875-1889.
 These world-famous Pens are the "Best in
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INFORMATION.



EMPIRE PALE ALE.

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6 PINTS per DOZEN	\$ 1.50
12 QUARTS per DOZEN	2.50
9 GALLONS per CASE	8.00
18 GALLONS per CASE	10.00
EMPIRE EXTRA XX STOUT.	
6 PINTS per DOZEN	\$ 1.60
12 QUARTS per DOZEN	2.60
9 GALLONS per CASE	8.50
18 GALLONS per CASE	12.00

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Hongkong, 21st August, 1890.

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OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted

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We continue to supply large bottles as

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COAST PORT ORDERS

Whenever practicable, are despatched by first

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For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed

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Our Registered Telegraphic Address is,

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The following is a List of Waters always

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No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty,

or greasy, or that appear to have been used

for any other purpose than that of containing

Aerated Water, as such Bottles are never

again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, China, and Manila.

The action taken at Canton is an illustration of the evils attendant on the responsibility of the Viceroy—a system which is being gradually weakened, but is yet far from abolished. A Viceroy is still allowed to do very much what he likes in his province, and amongst other powers he exercises is that of increasing or remitting taxation. A retiring Viceroy, having comfortably fattened his nest, may have a fancy to gain popularity at the close of his career, which he can always do by a remission of taxation. His successor, finding the public income thus reduced, sees his chance of making a good thing during his tenure of office correspondingly diminished, and he accordingly finds that new taxes are necessary, or invents some other excuse for reimposing the abandoned taxation, possibly with a considerable increase. There is no fairness in the collection of the taxes, no fairness in the application of the amount finally handed over; from top to bottom the body of officials in China is corrupt, according to Western ideas, though as the "squeeze" is a recognized institution of the country it is not always easy to say where the line dividing possible honesty from absolute dishonesty should be drawn. But as regards the imposition of increased taxation on tea, the trade in which is already being strangled by taxation, the folly of the course pursued calls for almost as severe condemnation as if it were dictated by simple dishonesty. We are afraid little expectation can be entertained of the expansion of the trade of the Two Kwang during Mr. Hsiao's term of office. His Excellency is said to be favourable to the construction of the proposed Canton-Kowloon railway and to the adoption of Western ideas, which in itself is extremely gratifying, but he can hardly be so blind as to imagine his new scheme of taxation by the creation of innumerable squeeze farms can be for the good of the provinces, for or no for. We would have more faith in His Excellency's supposed progressiveness if his fiscal policy looked a little straighter.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at 8.30 a.m. yesterday.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys left yesterday by the N. D. steamer *Prosser* for a short trip home.

The P. & O. steamer *Yongala* left Singapore for this port yesterday at 5.30 a.m. with the outward English mail.

We hear that the O.S. Co.'s steamer *Nastor*, which was reported ashore near Hoihow, is on a sandbank and was expected to get off yesterday.

The fire at Shanghai mentioned in our yesterday's issue, at the end of which a large number of houses were destroyed, is estimated, will amount to £110,000. The property was insured.

Complaints have reached us of the scarcity of seats along Bowen Road. If the Surveyor-General would provide a few more he would greatly add to the enjoyment of this attractive promenade by pedestrians, especially those in the course of their evening walk who wish to sit down for a short time.

The *Strait Times* of the 15th inst. says:—A telegram has been received this afternoon from Bangkok saying that Mr. McGregor, Manager of the Siam Goldfields Co., is acquitted. The charge against Mr. McGregor was one of man-slaughter and a sentence of one year in prison was imposed. It was alleged that a Chinaman was employed as a blacksmith at the mines quarrelled with his wife, and that they were engaged in some sort of struggle when the Chinaman, knocking him down, afterwards, for some other reason, Mr. McGregor, it was said, took a stick and again struck him several times on the neck, and almost immediately afterwards the man died. The defence of the accused, we presume, was that he interfered for some purpose, and did not use more force than appeared at the time necessary to effect that purpose. The case was tried in the British Consular Court at Bangkok yesterday and today, and the accused was acquitted. Mr. McGregor had gone specially to Bangkok to attend to the case.

The following items are taken from the London and China Express of the 21st ult.:

Mr. Le Peur, French, the First Secretary of the British Embassy at Berlin, has just returned after an absence of nearly five months, during which he accompanied the late Emperor of Russia on his tour of the world.

No decision has yet been come to, we believe, by the Colonial authorities as to Rajah Brooke's claim in annexing the Malayan Raj. It is possible that further advice are wanted from the Straits.

The French Times announces the publication in its columns of a Chinese novel, from the pen of General Tcheng Ki-tong. Our readers are aware that there exist many Chinese novels, and that the form of literature has many adherents in China. It was from the seventh century, at the close of the time between the three kingdoms which at the time divided China, that the form of novel writing first came into vogue, and has since then continued to flourish, sometimes in prose and sometimes in verse, and amongst the most celebrated of which were the *Shui-hu*, or Men of the Marshes, and the *Shi-tse*, or Men of the West. There are, of course, modern works, and these nearly all run on the same lines. It is the form of literature which has been most popular, and which has been most successful in causing the decline in undoubtedly the heavy taxation it has to bear. Want of care in the cultivation is also complained of, but that is no doubt in part due, indirectly, to the heavy taxation, the growers, under pressure of the latter, endeavouring to find a market for their wares by sacrificing quality to cheapness. Roughly speaking the taxation on tea in China may be set down at thirty per cent, and at Canton we find the Viceroy Li Hsiao-ang still further increasing the burden. What possible chance can there be for the article thus heavily handicapped in competition with the duty free Indian tea and the highly taxed article from Japan?

On Lyons the rise in exchange is looked on with considerable favour as constituting a form of protection for native silk and the *Revue des Deux Mondes* says it is the accomplishment of a European Zollverein against Asiatic products.

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At present we have an investigating committee of shareholders considering the management and business methods of the Company, and the results of their investigation will be published in the public press.

As a result of the investigation, the Company's affairs are being re-organized, and the results of the investigation will be published in the public press.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 1890

The Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation

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By the departure of the Hon. A. P. Mac

to the Peace when Mr. CHATEL proposed
 home. Another name that has been men-
 tioned is that of Mr. N. F. Eng, who
 services on the Sanitary Board ought
 to secure for him a large measure of support
 he came forward. To the somewhat un-
 trusting feeling of the Chamber of Com-
 merce Board Mr. Eng devotes the
 same dose and conscientious attention
 that might be expected from anyone
 in relation to his private business, and
 he would prove equally useful in the Legisla-
 tive Council. Mr. Eng, however, is not
 presenting a candidature for election to that
 body. He is, however, a man of the right
 kind who are understood to be willing and
 able to serve, and on whose behalf their friends
 have begun to beat up their forces. These
 are Mr. H. L. DALEYMELE and Mr. T. H.
 WHITEHEAD, the local manager of the
 Chartered Bank. If these are not of
 names that would first suggest an
 objection, it is not likely that you must
 be admitted that either gentleman is fairly
 well calculated to discharge satisfactorily
 the duties of the position. Mr. DALEYMELE
 is the Chairman of the Hongkong and
 Shanghai Bank and a director of several
 of our local joint stock enterprises. The Chair-
 manship of that Bank, it is true, does
 not make him a member of the Chamber
 of Commerce, but his office is held in rotation by all the directors
 and he may fairly be said that Mr. DALEYMELE
 makes a better chairman than some of the
 others. Mr. WHITEHEAD has had a very
 successful career in the Colony as a banker
 and as a man of business he commands
 the confidence of his fellow countrymen.
 He represents himself rather than commercial
 interests and that as manager for a long
 bank he is liable to be transferred to another
 branch. The first part of this objection
 does not appear to have much weight. Mr.
 WHITEHEAD is, we believe, practically
 such a fixture in Hongkong as most of the
 merchants. As to the question of home
 connections, it is not likely that he is
 naturally, other things being equal, be for-
 eign men, whose head quarters were in the Colony
 but, at the same time it must be remembered
 that there is nothing new-early antagonistic
 between home and colonial interests, and
 that a bank manager will naturally be
 interested in the prosperity of the place
 where he is employed, and dependent
 on the property of his branch. It must be
 confessed, however, that neither Mr. WHITEHEAD
 nor Mr. DALEYMELE has given the public
 much opportunity of judging of what
 views on public questions may be. While
 they are in favour of the establishment
 of the Legislative Council, the extension
 of the elective franchise in the Legislative
 and so on, we do not know. Both gentlemen
 are of course personally known to every
 member of the very limited constituency
 whose hands they seek election, and the
 contest, so far as can be judged, will turn
 chiefly on the personal popularity of the two
 gentlemen. An election is to be decided
 by a simple sound, and every voter
 might be well to consider whether it should
 not be put to the test by an appeal to
 a larger constituency. Nearly all the members
 of the Chamber of Commerce are also
 Justices of the Peace, and most of the ur-
 official Justices of the Peace are also mem-
 bers of the Chamber of Commerce.
 The other bodies of the Chamber of Com-
 merce are without the franchise.
 For either one or both of the elective mem-
 bers of the Council the constituency might
 advantageously be made the same as it is for
 the members of the Sanitary Board, that
 is to say, all ratepayers who are on the jury list
 or who are engaged from service as jurors or
 as assessors. It would be interesting to
 know the opinion on this and other points
 the candidates now seeking election at the
 hands of the Chamber of Commerce.

In his report on the trade of Shanghai for 1889, Consul-General Hughes makes some

and Northern China, under transit pass payment of half import duty. Traded in the South do not enjoy this advantage, and that the numerous squeezes to which they are subjected in transit trade is proved by the fact that goods being taken into the interior will frequently make a circuitous and expensive detour in order to find a route where the taxation is less onerous. And even in the North the excessive taxation, though not applied directly to foreign goods, cannot fail to exercise a powerful indirect influence on foreign trade. Mr. H. H. Dowd remarks that it is in the transit trade in native products, hampered by unnecessary restrictions, as foreign import have to be paid for by native products. It follows that if trade in the latter be restricted trade in the former, say likewise suffers. If China exported twice the quantity of tea that she actually does she would be able to buy a greater quantity of foreign goods than she does, and export more to the rest of the world than she does, and thus due to a large extent to the nature of the taxation on the export, which is not confined to the export and transit duty, but includes also the grower's tax and numerous other squeezes to which the article has to submit before it comes under the observance of the taxation of the foreign buyer. Inland taxation cannot be considered a small barrier to the extension of foreign trade, therefore, even if the extension of foreign trade is to be secured.

Needless to say, however, that we agree with Mr. H. H. Dowd as to the importance of improving the means of communication in China. He mentions that it is the four years from 1881 to 1888 the foreign trade

THE TREATMENT OF LEPERS

mit persons suffering from the disease who could prove that they had been long resi-

numbers of Hongkong born lepers sufficient to warrant the establishment of an

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ing, of the Colonial Office. Tunku ALLAH, it will be remembered by Singapore residents, never acquiesced in his deposition, and in consequence the non-acquiescence was at one time reduced to poverty, and indeed it was only by a personal interposition of Mr. W. R. Rieu, that Tunku (and his family) was able to raise £500 for which his father sold horses, and another £200 which are given to him in compensation for a forced surrender of Muar. As for the man presented yesterday (13th inst.), and who at the cost of the Straits Government, may be regarded as a tardy and friendly recognition of the fact that Tunku ALLAH has been badly used by the nation which received its status in Singapore from Tunku ALLAH's grandfather.

THE SANITARY BOARD AND THE

The Sanitary Board fell into an error

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M.A. M.B., F.R.C.S. Hongkong: Kelly
Walsh, Ltd. 1890.

It will probably surprise a good many of our readers, as it did ourselves, to learn that in the

Dr. Cantlie examines the various theories advanced to account for the spread of leprosy, namely, heredity, contagion, infection from

The following case, given on page 45, seems to bear out both the inoculation and house c

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the above Corporation was held at the City Hall on the 25th day of May 1900.

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matters of importance, and I hope of interest
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Mr. JACKSON (who was received with applause) said—Gentlemen, I thank you

Mr. BAIN—I would like to ask whether understanding was come to before the con-

Mr. BAIN—Without success. I certainly think shareholders are greatly indebted to

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING

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